

Please do not lift the ban on cross-ownership of TV stations and newspapers in the same market area.

Living in the Houston area I have seen first-hand how losing a major newspaper has resulted in the deterioration of journalistic quality in the remaining newspaper and its transformation into a house organ for the controlling political interests. It would be catastrophic for our nation to have all of our news reporting controlled by a few powerful organizations.

The life-blood of any economic sector is competition. For a free press, competition is essential.